

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Eiji Kato et al.
Appl. No. : 10/803,274
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For : TRANSMISSION FOR OFF-ROAD VEHICLE
Examiner : Hau Van Phan

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Notice of Allowability mailed on June 17, 2008.

REMARKS

In discussing the Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner refers to certain features of Claims 1-34 and 36-43. To the extent that the Examiner's paraphrasing of the subject matter of the Claims 1-34 and 36-43 differs from the language of those Claims, Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Reasons for Allowance. Claims 1-34 and 36-43 recite different combinations of features and elements than those referenced by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,
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